

Remarks

Reconsideration is requested in view of the above amendments. Claim 1 has been amended to include the language from claim 6. New claim 11 is a combination of prior claims 1 and 7. New claims 12-18 correspond to claims 2-5 and 8-10. Claims 6 and 7 are canceled.


In a telephone call on May 9, 2006 between the Examiner and Applicant's representative, James Larson, it was agreed that the amendments presented herein would place this application into condition for allowance.

A Notice of Allowance is requested. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

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